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SUBJECT: MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING INITIALED
TODAY, DECEMBER 24, 1975:

BEGIN QUOTE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF INDIA
AND THE UNITED STATES MET IN WASHINGTON FROM DECEMBER 15 TO
24, 1975, AND, INASMUCH AS THE TWO GOVERNMENTS DO NOT HAVE
A COMMON UNDERSTANDING ON THE INTERPRETATION OF CERTAIN
PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 12:3 OF THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING
INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES (MFA), AGREED TO THE
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FOLLOWING PROVISIONS FOR THE THIRD AND FOURTH AGREEMENT

YEARS:

1. AS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 12:3 THEREOF, THE MFA DOES NOT APPLY TO HAND-MADE COTTAGE INDUSTRY PRODUCTS MADE OF HAND-LOOM FABRICS OF THE COTTAGE INDUSTRY.

2. ADDITIONALLY, OTHER PROPERLY CERTIFIED PRODUCTS MADE OUT OF HANDLOOM FABRIC OF THE COTTAGE INDUSTRY WILL BE OUTSIDE THE PURVIEW OF THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT DATED AUGUST 6, 1974.

3. EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES OF APPAREL INCLUDED UNDER PARAGRAPH TWO HEREOF WILL BE LIMITED TO 2.9 MILLION DOZEN DURING THE YEAR OCTOBER 1, 1975, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1976, AND TO 3.0 MILLION DOZEN DURING THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

4. UP TO 1.6 MILLION DOZEN OF THE AMOUNT OF SUCH APPAREL EXPORTS AUTHORIZED IN THE SECOND PERIOD MAY BE EXPORTED IN THE FIRST PERIOD.

5. THE LEVEL FOR GROUP I IN THE BILATERAL COTTON TEXTILE AGREEMENT OF AUGUST 6, 1974, WILL BE 120 MILLION SQUARE YARDS FOR THE AGREEMENT YEAR WHICH STARTED OCTOBER 1, 1975. WITHIN THIS LEVEL THERE WILL BE INCLUDED AN ADDITIONAL SPECIFIC CEILING FOR MADE UPS AND MISCELLANEOUS OF 10 M SYE. SPECIFIC CEILINGS FOR MADE UPS AND MISCELLANEOUS IN THE PRESNET GROUP II WILL BE CONTINUED AS SUB-CEILINGS IN GROUP I.

6. THE LEVEL FOR GROUP II IN THAT AGREEMENT FOR THE AGREEMENT YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1975, WILL BE 20 MILLION SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT INCLUSIVE OF SWING FROM GROUP I.

7. NOTES TO RATIFY THESE UNDERSTANDINGS WILL BE EXCHANGED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 16, 1976.

8. AN ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENT TO ENABLE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNDERSTANDINGS REGARDING APPAREL MADE OUT OF HANDLOOM FABRIC WILL ALSO BE CONCLUDED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 16, 1976. END QUOTE
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2. WE WILL NEITHER RELEASE THIS TEXT NOR DISCUSS SUBSTANCE OF AGREEMENT WITH ANYONE OTHER THAN INDIANS. KISSINGER

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